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SLAVS CONTINUE THEIR OFFENSIVE

Petrograd Reports Capture of More Passes in the Carpathian Mountains.

PROGRESS IN NORTH POLAND

Czar's Forces Take Heights Despite Stubborn Resistance of Germans and Austrians—Quiet in France and Belgium.

London, April 6.—The attention of the public for the time being is directed toward the great struggle for the Carpathian passes where the Russians apparently are making very steady progress, despite the obstinate resistance offered by the Austrian and German troops.

The Russians are on the Hungarian side of both the Bulka and Lupkow passes and, with the aid of continual reinforcements, are gaining the heights which dominate Uzsok pass. Even the Austrian official report admits that fighting is now taking place in the Laborca valley, which is south of Lupkow pass, while the Russians announce the capture of Cisus, an important station on the high mountains between Lupkow and Uzsok passes, where they captured a great stock of war munitions and provisions.

Capture 4,000 Prisoners.

The Russians also are advancing from Dukla pass on Hartfeld, which is at the head of the line of railway running south into Hungary, and fighting not far from Mezolaborca, another important railroad head. On Saturday and Sunday they captured in the Carpathians upward of 3,000 prisoners. They also claim another success in Bukovina, and the capture of another 1,000 prisoners, while the Austrians also assert that they repulsed a Russian force which attempted to cross the Dniester river.

The Russians also are making progress in northern Poland, while a German official report tells of the repulse of a Russian attack on Mariampol, which is considerably west of the region that a few days ago was, in the possession of the Germans.

Calm in West.

So far as the western front is concerned, comparative calm continues, the French having less to report, while the Germans announce the repulse of French attacks in the Woivre and Argonne regions and of a Belgian attempt to recover ground which they recently lost in Flanders.

Austrians Admit Defeat.

Vienna, via London, April 5.—Retreat of the Austrian forces in the Beskid region of the Carpathians, where some of the heaviest fighting has taken place in the struggle for control of the mountain passes leading into Hungary, was announced today at army headquarters. The statement is as follows:

"The presence of large Russian reinforcements arriving from Premysl compelled the Austrian army to withdraw from the Beskid region. "In the Carpathians, fighting on both sides of the Laborca valley continues. Yesterday we attacked the eastern trenches and dislodged the enemy from several strong positions. Russian attacks east of Virawa were repulsed. "In yesterday's engagements we captured 2,020 prisoners. "North of Uzsok pass the situation is unchanged. Renewed Russian attacks miscarried, after a short fight. "There is no news from the other fronts."

The Beskid mountains form part of the boundary between Hungary and Galicia. They are a section of the great Carpathian range, the natural barrier upon which Austria-Hungary relies to halt the Russian advance.

A Protest to Bulgaria.

London, April 5.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Saloniki says: "The Bulgarian irregulars who were driven back from the Serbian border, later descended upon the Greek town of Dolran (about thirty-five miles north of Saloniki) and Greece is rushing important reinforcements thither and to other frontier points, prepared for any eventualities. "It is alleged that in the Serbian villages through which they passed the Bulgarians committed atrocities."

Scale Ice Mills.

London, April 5.—The Russians now are on the offensive along the whole of their front, from the Baltic sea to the Rumanian border and in the Caucasus, and according to a Stockholm dispatch they have concentrated an enormous number of soldiers on the coast of Finland to prevent any attempt by the Germans to land there.

Three Persons Perish.

Richmond, Va., April 5.—Three persons perished in the storm that covered Richmond and the surrounding country with a blanket of snow and practically cut off the city from the outside world.

New Submarine L-4 Launched.

Quincy, Mass., April 5.—After two unsuccessful attempts to launch the United States submarine L-4, the vessel was finally sent overboard at the yard of the Pure River Shipbuilding Corporation today.

MRS. MIRIAM RAINES



Mrs. Miriam Raines is the first woman police judge in the United States. She presides over the court at El Cajon, Cal., where a large percentage of the population is composed of unruly Mexicans and Indians. Mrs. Raines studied law under her father in Missouri.

STORM SWEEPS EAST COAST

Many Lives Lost in Heavy Gale on Atlantic—Believed Dutch Steamer Prins Maurits Sunk.

Norfolk, Va., April 5.—Reports of marine disasters along the Atlantic seaboard reached this city tonight in the wake of yesterday's violent storm. The loss of life was not known.

Five members of the crew of the tug Edward Luckenbach are known to have been drowned when that vessel foundered off False Cape yesterday, and eleven others are missing. The Dutch steamer Prins Maurits is believed to have gone down with all aboard, numbering about forty-nine. The vessel was last heard from early yesterday off Hatteras, when her wireless calls for help said she was in a dangerous condition.

Two British warships, the coast guard cutter Onondaga and several other vessels rushed to the Maurits' aid. The British warships, one the Coronra, reached the position given by the steamer at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, but there was no trace of the vessel.

An Easter snowstorm of unprecedented proportions swept virtually the whole Atlantic seaboard yesterday. Wet, sticky snow, driven by a north-east gale, which at times blew seventy miles an hour, held up ocean travel, crippled telegraphic and telephone communications, delayed steam and electric trains and nearly dashed the hopes of the Easter paraders in New York and New England.

NAMES THE AERIAL BOARD

Washington, April 5.—President Wilson yesterday appointed the advisory committee on aeronautics authorized by congress for scientific study. He named the following twelve men:

Brigadier General George P. Scriven and Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Reber of the army; Captain Mark L. Bristol and Naval Constructor Holden C. Richardson of the navy; Dr. Charles D. Walcott, secretary of the Smithsonian Institution; Dr. Charles F. Marvin, chief of the weather bureau; Dr. S. W. Stratton, chief of the bureau of stands; Assistant Secretary Newton of the treasury department; Prof. W. F. Durand, Leland Stanford university; Prof. John F. Hayford, Northwestern university, and Prof. Joseph S. Ames, Johns Hopkins university.

Will Boost Good Roads.

Independence, Kan., April 5.—The good roads convention to be held here, under the auspices of the Ozark Trails Association, is being talked of already as one of the big events of the present year, especially among good roads men of the Southwest.

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

—The Central Railroad of New Jersey recently was fined \$290,000 in the United States district court by Judge Rollstab for having been convicted of rebating to the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company. The road was fined \$8,000 on twenty-five of the 185 counts against it.

—An unidentified man climbed over the railing at Prospect Point, Niagara Falls recently and plunged into the river. A few seconds later he was swept over the American falls. No trace of the body has been found.

—The War Department announced recently that \$1,100,000 had been apportioned for improvement of Missouri river navigation this year. A million of this will be used between Kansas City and the Mississippi and the remainder between Kansas City and Sioux City, Ia.

—The difficult pace to which the negotiations between Italy and Austria have come has had no apparent effect on Prince von Bielow, the German ambassador, who is continuing his effort to bring about an adjustment.

FIGHT AT TAMPICO

Neither Side is Winning, Says Dispatch from Mexico to Washington Officials.

AMERICANS ANSWER MR. BRYAN

They Declare It Is Impossible to Leave Without Losing Their Savings of Many Years.

Washington, April 6.—Heavy fighting continues between the Carranza and Villa forces at Ebano, near Tampico, "and neither side has gained an advantage," according to advices to the state department today, dated Saturday night. The situation at Victoria is unchanged, and the local chamber of commerce at Tampico has ordered food supplies from New Orleans, guaranteeing payment.

San Antonio, Tex., April 6.—American residents of Mexico City and vicinity, in a meeting at the American Club of that city, drafted a reply to a message from Secretary Bryan advising them of President Wilson's warning to leave Mexico until conditions became settled, declaring it was impossible for them to leave.

The message quotes from the reply as follows:

"If the foreigners should leave en masse, it would be to repeat the late sad experience of the Belgians. With many it means to leave behind the savings and other interests of a life time and to arrive in the United States or Europe virtually as charges of the public or friends.

"A fourth exodus of our people is now impossible, considering the large number here and the demoralized conditions of public order and transportation, difficulties are also too great for the average family to live during a voyage of thousands of miles. The Mexican peso also has dropped from 50 cents American currency to 10 cents during eight changes of the supreme power at the national capital since the overthrow of Porfirio Diaz in 1911.

"Thousands of Americans and other foreigners scattered throughout the country find it impossible to leave their all, or to abandon positions of trust, the properties or business of owners in the United States and elsewhere. Duty compels them to remain."

A committee is said to be on the way to Washington to deliver the reply and confer with President Wilson.

Drifting On to Ruin.

El Paso, Tex., April 5.—A statement from the American colony in the City of Mexico, in which it was said that the situation was "more chaotic and helpless than ever," was brought to the border today by Arthur Bullard Johnson, a delegate representing jointly the two thousand Americans and the international committee of the capital district, the latter composed of seventeen different nationalities aggregating more than ten thousand persons. Johnson is on his way East to take up the matter with public men.

The resolutions were drawn March 10 at a meeting attended by about 200 members of the American colony, in answer to a communication from the Washington government again suggesting that the Americans leave the republic.

Populace Faces Famine.

The City of Mexico, March 25 (by courier to El Paso, April 5).—A report predicting that Mexico faces a serious situation respecting its food supplies has been made by a committee of Americans and other foreigners here who have been investigating the situation. The report in part is as follows:

"Four years of almost continuous fighting throughout the various parts of the republic has produced a condition so serious as to threaten a famine of such proportions as to necessitate world-wide aid. The fact that farm hands have everywhere been thrown into so-called armies, that farm animals have been utilized for like purposes, that leaders of roving bands marching under banners containing fantastic legends about liberty and the rights of man, which they use as a blind to facilitate robbery, pillage and murder, have so reduced the crop acreage that by November, 1915, there will be a shortage of 39,370,000 bushels of corn alone, not to mention the other absolutely necessary cereals, are now well known to those investigating, who have made a careful study of this phase of Mexico's ills."

Flag Was Not Insulted.

Washington, April 3.—Inasmuch as the desecration of the American flag flying above the home of John B. McManus, an American citizen murdered in Mexico City, was the act of lawless persons acting without authority, the United States government decided to make no demand for an apology.

One Submarine Sank Two.

London, April 6.—The Glasgow steamer Olive and the Russian bark Hermes were sunk by the German submarine U-31 Sunday afternoon off the Isle of Wight. The crew of the two vessels took to their boats and were rescued by a British destroyer.

Ask \$250,000 for the Frya.

Washington, April 6.—America's claim on Germany on account of the destruction by the Prinz Eitel Friedrich of the William F. Frya was made public today. It was for \$250,000.

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